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Boston, Oct. 7, 1861.

My dear Johnson:

I am greatly obliged to you for your letter, and will certainly try to accept your kind overture to spend a day or two (including a Sunday) with you and Mary-Ann in New York, either on my way to the Pennsylvania meeting, or on my return from it. I will decide, and let you know which it shall be, as soon as the time for the meeting is definitely fixed. It will give me great pleasure to see any persons whom you may wish to invite together socially on my account.

Mr. May arrived in the city, to-day, from his New York trip, and expresses gratification at having seen you at the office, though he thinks you are looking as if you had had a large burden to carry for some months past.



You feelingly allude to the remarkable unity of views which has always existed between us, without consultation, in every critical period through which the Anti-Slavery cause has passed. This has been as gratifying to me as to you; for I have always regarded you as possessing an unusually clear perception of things, and a great deal of that common sense, than which nothing is more uncommon. Your absolute disinterestedness has shown that your eye was single from the beginning, and therefore your whole body has been full of light. "All things are made manifest in the light." I have never had a suspicion that we should very widely differ in our judgment of things; and yet I have known that, in forming <sup>always</sup> and expressing your own opinions, you have adhered to your convictions of right, independently and conscientiously, without stopping to ask whether they were embraced or rejected by any others.



After all the progress that has been made, how much of the old pro-slavery venom remains at the North! And how the serpents hiss and shake their rattles whenever a direct blow is given to the dragon of slavery—as in the case of Fremont and Sumner! It is more and more evident, that the support given to the government by such papers as the New York Journal of Commerce and Bennett's Herald, and the Boston Courier and Post, is nothing but the basest dissimulation to effect a treasonable end. They would incomparably prefer the reign of Jeff. Davis and eternal slavery, than to see the Union preserved and slavery abolished by a Republican administration. Yet Mr. Lincoln is so infatuated as to shape his course of policy in accordance with their wishes, and is thus unwittingly helping to prolong the war, and to render the result more and more doubtful! If he is 6 feet 4 inches high, he is only a dwarf in mind.



We have had our friend, E. H. Heywood, sick with a brain fever at our house for nearly three weeks. He is now slowly recuperating, and spending a few days with our beloved friend Francis Jackson, who, happily, is now in such a comfortable state of health as to be in the streets every day. What a wonderful raising up from the brink of the grave in his case!

Please convey to Theodore Tilton the assurances of my warm personal regards, and my appreciation of his talents and reformatory labors. He has placed me under special obligations by his friendly attentions, from time to time. Tell him I shall so far try to comply with his hospitable overture as at least to break bread with him at his own table. In the severe bereavement which he and his estimable wife have been called to suffer, in the death of their darling child, I very strongly participate. All our household desire to be kindly remembered to them, and to Mary Ann and yourself.

Olive Johnson. Unswervingly yours, Wm Lloyd Garrison.